

ABSTRACT

G-IIC-246

MASON-DIXON LINE: MILESTONE NO. ---(201)
(site) Hi-Point, Maryland vicinity
(monument) Springs, Pennsylvania vicinity
Public/private

1902 (site; monument)

Milestone No. ---(201) is missing from the site established on the east side of Zehner Hill Road on Mason and Dixon's West Line in 1902 during the 1900-03 Resurvey of the Maryland-Pennsylvania boundary; and the site is no longer marked. The monument set at that point is in safe keeping temporarily set in front yard of a Springs, Pennsylvania, residence about $\frac{3}{4}$ miles northeast of the site (about $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles north of the Line). It is a very plain dressed marble post with a low pyramidal top, quarried and carved in Cockeysville, Maryland; is in very good condition, unaltered, firmly set (but skewed 90° counter-clockwise!); measures a little over 10 inches square by about 29 inches above ground; and is embellished only by the capital letter P (cut to face Pennsylvania on the north), M to face Maryland on the south, the year 1767 to face east (when the area of the site was originally surveyed and marked), and 1902 to face west. Until the 1902 survey point is reestablished and the monument reset, neither the unmarked site nor the monument ^{where it presently stands} has significance on any level, though it certainly is a local conversation piece.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME BOUNDARY MARKERS ALONG THE MASON-DIXON LINE (THEMATIC GROUP)

HISTORIC (Mason and Dixon's) WEST LINE

AND/OR COMMON

MASON-DIXON LINE: MILESTONE NO. --- (1900-03 Resurvey Monument No. 201)

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER (site) east side of Zehner Hill Road/T-378

CITY, TOWN

Hi-Point

☒ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

MD: 6 / PA: 12

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

MD: Garrett / PA: Somerset

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

OWNERSHIP

STATUS N/A

PRESENT USE

☐ DISTRICT☒ PUBLIC☐ OCCUPIED☐ AGRICULTURE☐ MUSEUM☐ BUILDING(S)☐ PRIVATE☐ UNOCCUPIED☐ COMMERCIAL☐ PARK☐ STRUCTURE☐ BOTH☐ WORK IN PROGRESS☐ EDUCATIONAL☐ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☒ SITE

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

ACCESSIBLE

☐ ENTERTAINMENT☐ RELIGIOUS☒ OBJECT☐ IN PROCESS☐ YES: RESTRICTED☐ GOVERNMENT☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ BEING CONSIDERED☒ YES: UNRESTRICTED☐ INDUSTRIAL☐ TRANSPORTATION☒ not applicable☐ NO☐ MILITARY☒ OTHER

state boundary marker

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY (monument only; see Thematic Group NR nomination form and surrounding property ownership list)

NAME

State of Maryland/Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION (see Thematic Group NR nomination form and surrounding property ownership list)

COURTHOUSE

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Liber #:

Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

STATE

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS (also see Thematic Group NR nomination form)

TITLE

Garrett County Historic Sites Inventory

DATE

G-IIC-246 entered 9/4/81

☐ FEDERAL ☒ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

Maryland Historical Trust

CITY, TOWN

Annapolis

STATE

Maryland 21401

CONDITION

— EXCELLENT
☒ GOOD
 — FAIR

— DETERIORATED
 — RUINS
 — UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

☒ UNALTERED
 — ALTERED

CHECK ONE

— ORIGINAL SITE
☒ (Monument)
 — MOVED DATE early 1970?
☒ additional site 1

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Milestone No. --- (201) is ^{missing from the site but in safe keeping,} temporarily set in the front yard of a Springs, PA residence. ^{It} marked a new point on Mason and Dixon's West Line about 4350 feet west of their 181st mile west of the northeast corner of Maryland, the beginning of their West Line. The monument was first set in 1902 during the ¹⁹⁰⁰⁻⁰³ Resurvey of the Maryland-Pennsylvania boundary, and ~~was~~ removed at the time of a reworking of Zehner Hill Road (estimated as in the early 1970's). It is a very plain dressed marble post with a low pyramidal top, quarried and carved in Cockeysville, Maryland; is in very good condition, unaltered; measures a little over 10 inches square by about 29 inches above ground at its present location (skewed with the north side facing west); and is embellished only by the capital letter P (cut to face Pennsylvania on the north), M to face Maryland on the south, the year 1767 to face east (when this part of the West Line was originally surveyed and marked), and 1902 to face west.

The area of this ^{the densely wooded} additional site is ^{high (2550 feet elevation)} but northwestern bottom slope of Zehner Hill ^{which is} (one of the highest points of the series of ridges and peaks along Negro Mountain), with a few scattered houses along Zehner Hill Road. ^{T-328} The site is at the east edge of the road shoulder/ditching, about 1 mile due north of the scattered settlement of Hi-Point, MD, unmarked and believed lost. It is within Election District 3 of Garrett County, MD, and Additon Township of Somerset County, PA.

The monument, identical to 65 other monuments of 1902 set west of Sideling Hill to visually reestablish the Maryland-Pennsylvania boundary, was quarried and carved in Cockeysville, MD, of a white, fine-grained marble called saccharoidal dolomite or magnesian limestone; was originally cut about 10 inches square by about 4½ feet long, intended for setting about 1½ feet above ground with the remaining 3 feet for setting into the ground, thus eliminating the need for a concrete foundation. The letters and numbers are blocky, V-sunk without serifs, and are horizontally aligned as a band around the stone near the top. Except for a chipping out of the number "1" (of the year 1767); the letters, numbers, top planes and apex are all essentially intact and clear, although there are small chips at the top corners and along the vertical edges. At present, this monument can be seen from LR-55010, about ¼ mile due north of the village of Springs, PA, by the Mark Folk drive close to the main road, on the south side.

(see Thematic Group National Register nomination form for descriptions of t' new kinds of monuments set dur. of the 1900-03 Resurvey)

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE	
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY) boundary surveying	
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES 1767 (survey)
 1902 (monument site) ~~UNRECOVERED~~ Charles Mason and Jeremiah Dixon
 SURVEYORS

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Until the 1902 survey point is reestablished at this site on the Mason-Dixon Line and the 1902 Cockeysville marble monument ^{retrieved and} is/reset: ^{neither} the present unmarked approximate site nor the monument as it now ~~stands~~ in a front yard considerably off the Line has significance on any level.

(see Thematic Group National Register nomination form for the HISTORY AND SIGNIFICANCE of the West Line and its markers generally)

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

(see Thematic Group National Register nomination form)

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATAACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY less than one acreQuadrangle name: Grantsville (Maryland-Pennsylvania), USGS 7.5 minute series
(topographic), 1946 photorev. 1974, scale 1:24000

UTM reference (site only): zone 17, easting 65331, northing 439822

NOTE: monument removed to local resident's front yard (c. 1970's?)

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

N/A

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE Maryland

COUNTY Garrett

STATE

Pennsylvania

COUNTY

Somerset

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME/TITLE

Alice Martin (volunteer, Mason and Dixon's West Line boundary marker surveyor)

ORGANIZATION

DATE 7/25/81 site surveyed

Maryland Historical Trust and Maryland Geological Survey

4/13/84 monument recorded

STREET & NUMBER

TELEPHONE

14308 Mount Avenue

(301) 472-2128

CITY OR TOWN

STATE

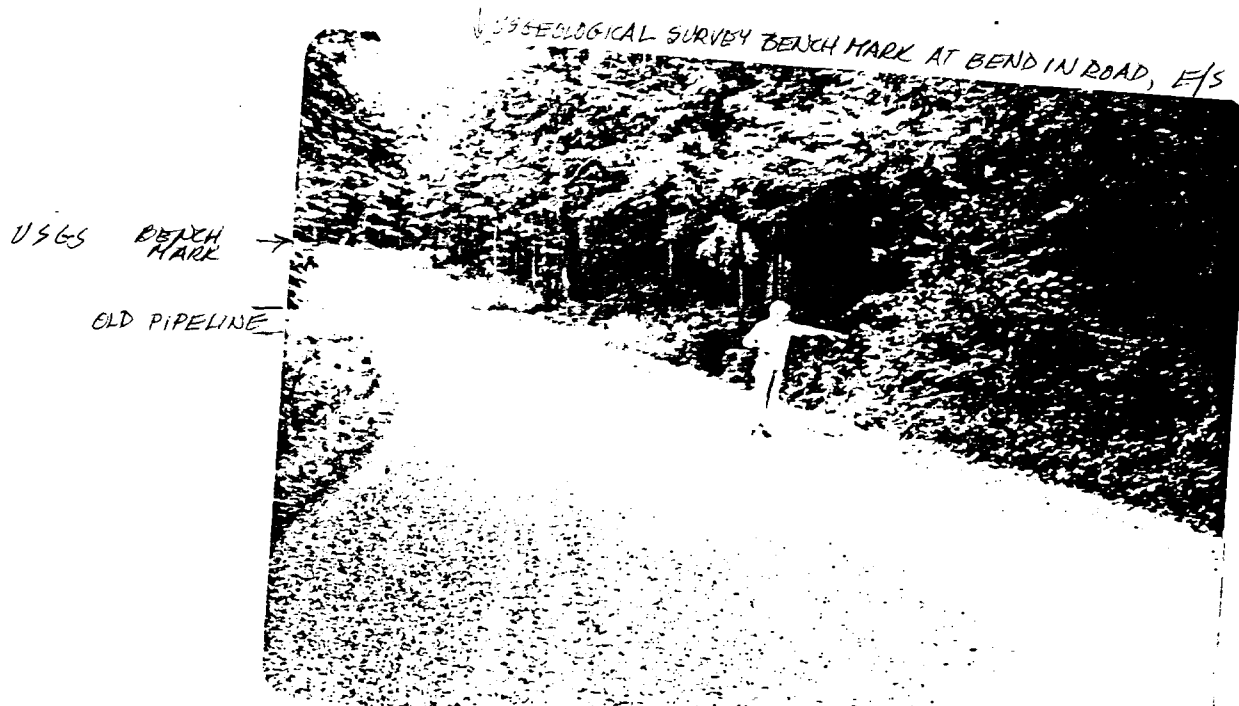
Phoenix

Maryland 21131

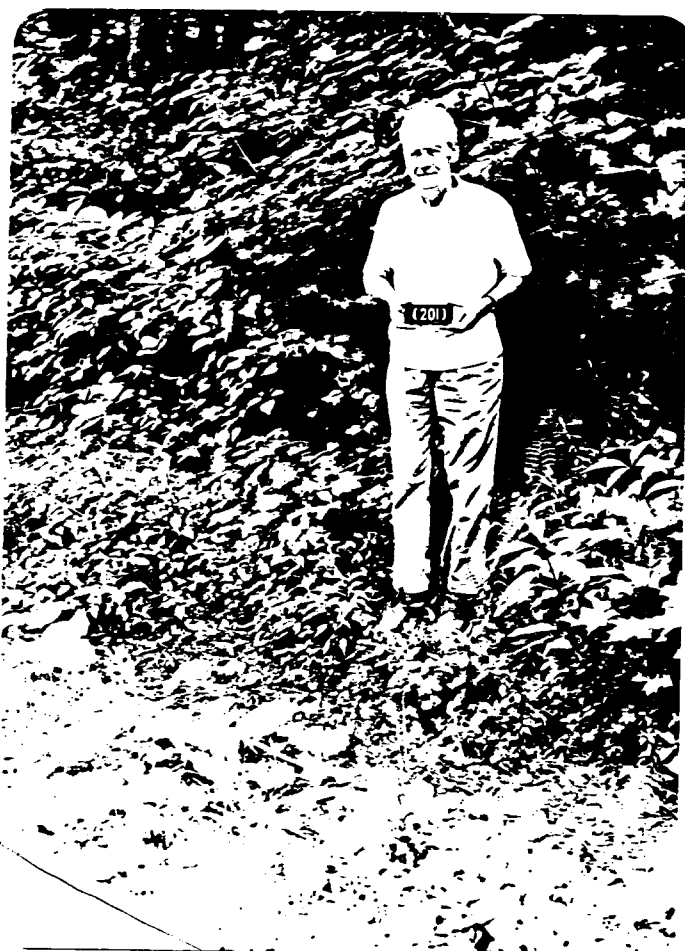
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The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438



VIEW LOOKING NNE ALONG ZEHNER HILL ROAD, OF CLYDE
MARTIN POINTING TO APPROX. SITE
(1981.23.3)



CLOSEUP OF CLYDE STANDING
AT APPROX. SITE ON EAST SIDE OF
ROAD, AS SHOWN BY NEIGHBOR,
MRS. KNOX
(1981.23.14)

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MASON-DIXON WEST LINE BOUNDARY MARKERS; MILESTONE NO. --- (201)

GRANTSVILLE QUADRANGLE
MARYLAND-PENNSYLVANIA

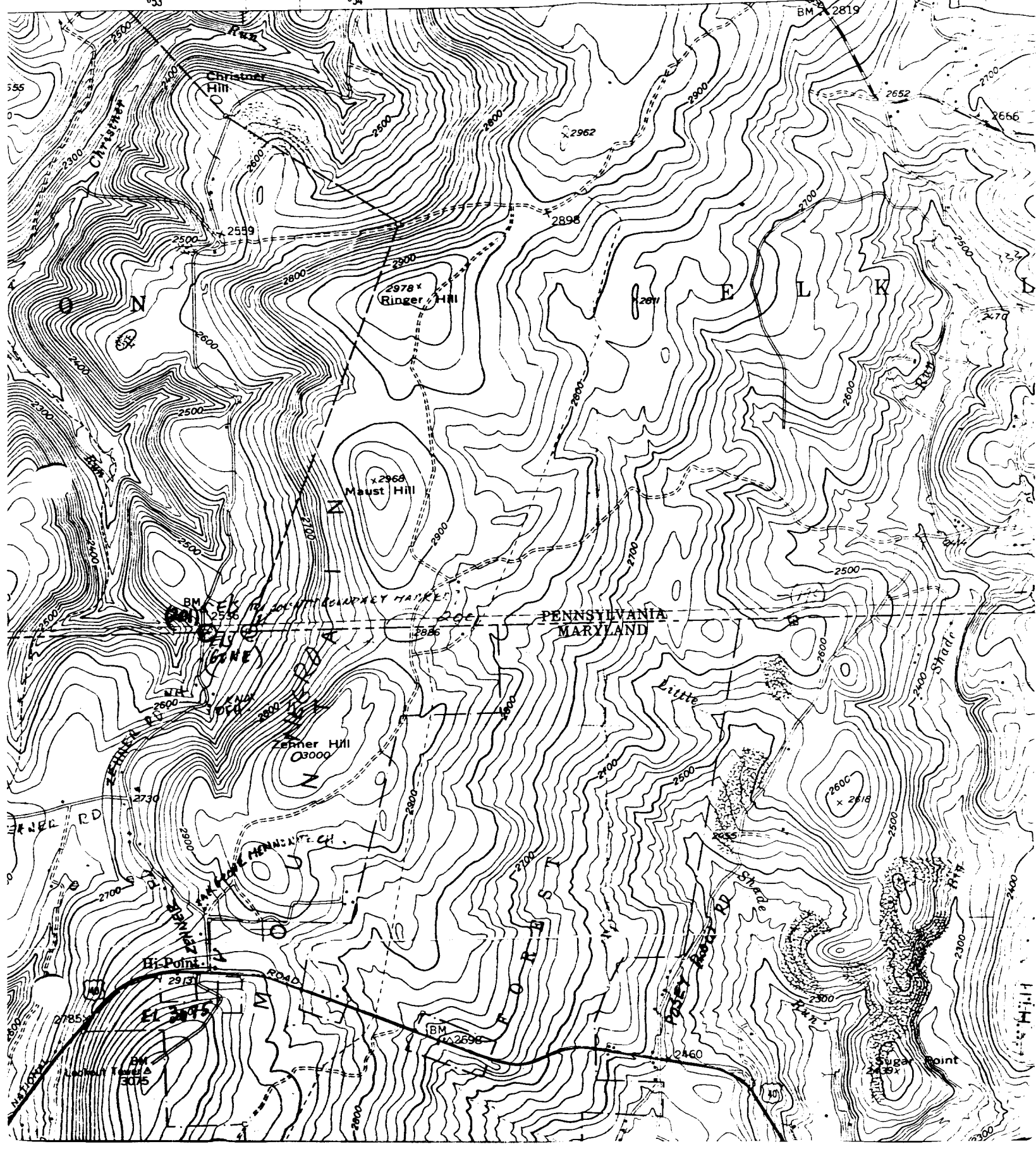
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DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONM

STATE OF MARYLAND USGS 7.5 MINUTE SERIES (TOPOGRAPHIC)
MARYLAND GEOLOGICAL SURVEY 1946 PHOTO REV. 1974 SCALE: 1"=2000'

51631 SW
(MARKLETOWN)

CONFLUENCE 14 MI
LISTONBURG (JUNC PA 53.8 MI)

10'





MASON & DIXON'S WEST LINE; MILESTONE NO. — (201)
SE CORNER (M/176T)

(TEMPORARILY IN SAFE-KEEPING IN FRONT YARD OF
MARK FOLK, LR-55010 SPRINGS, PA —
SET WITH P NOW FACING WEST!!)

PHOTO: ALICE MARTIN 4/13/84 (1984. 4. 28)



HASON & DIXON'S WEST LINE; MILESTONE NO. — (201)

NW CORNER (P/1902).

(IN SAFE KEEPING IN FRONT YARD OF MARK FOLK.
WITH P NOW FACING WEST.)

PHOTO: ALICE MARTIN 4/13/84 (1984.4.27)